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Deborah Shubat (left) talks to Christine Ebert (right) about the different plants grown in the greenhouse.

## Greenhouse effect lowers stress at UMD

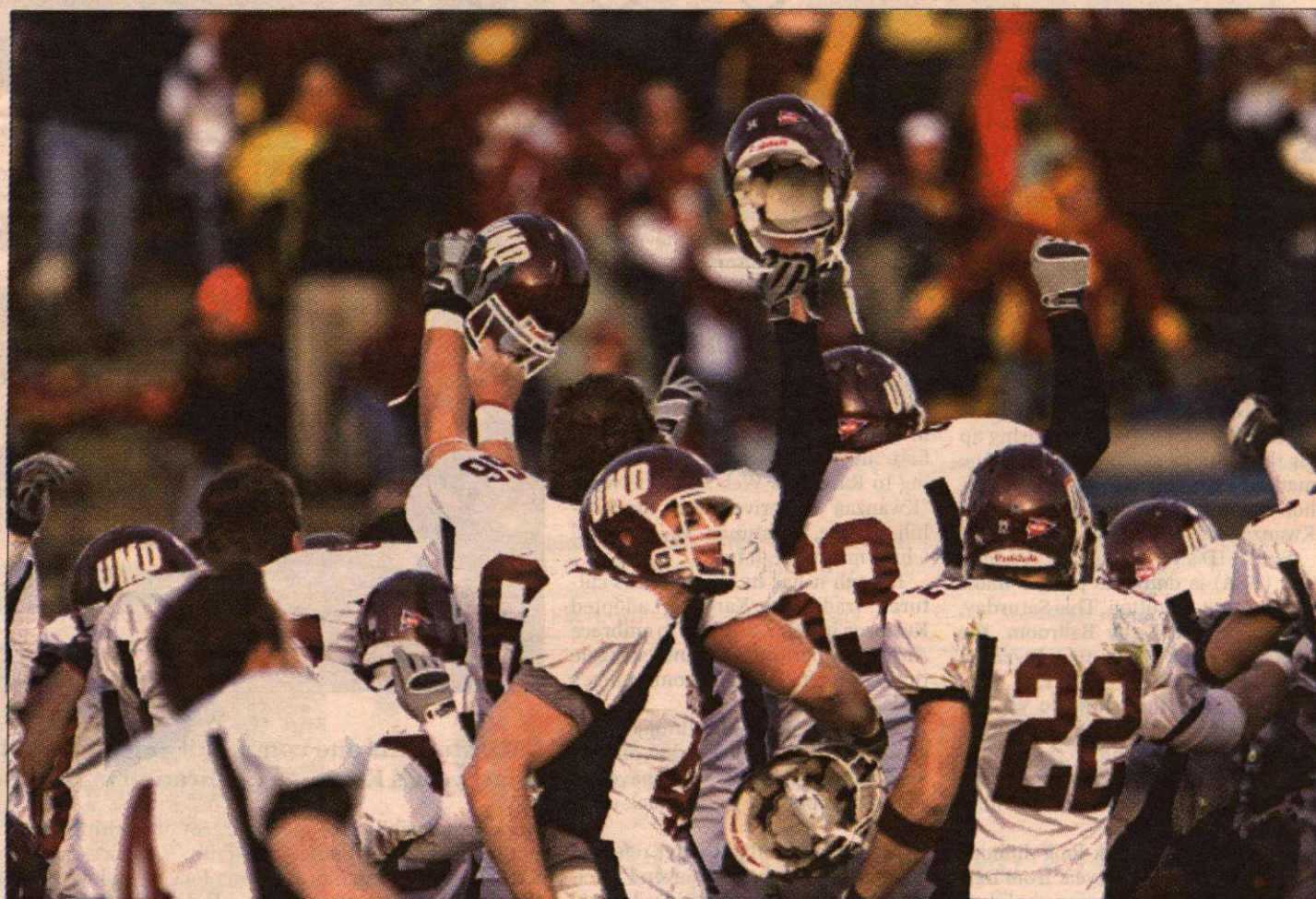
The array of colors and scents of a tropical forest or an arid desert can calm the nerves of anyone who takes a walk through UMD's greenhouse

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## On-campus parking lot thefts on the rise

Three auto break-ins reported in the last two weeks at UMD

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The UMD football team celebrates after a playoff victory against Grand Valley State (Mich.) last Saturday.

# Dogs make the semifinals

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## BSA is bringing Kwanzaa early

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With Thanksgiving over, the first week of December kicks off the official start of the holiday season. Stores all over Duluth can be seen swapping out their traditional displays for more seasonal ones. Malls are filling with frantic shoppers trying to find gifts for loved ones. Everyone is gearing up for this holiday season, but in all the mad rush to get ready, there is one holiday that often gets overlooked—Kwanzaa.

But UMD's Black Student Association (BSA) is doing its part to make sure it is not forgotten. This Saturday, Dec. 6, in the Kirby Ballroom, the BSA is hosting its annual Kwanzaa celebration.

"We put on this show so we can celebrate Kwanzaa and also educate people about a holiday that many don't know about," said Daniel Oyinyo, fifth-year student and member of the BSA.

Kwanzaa is a week-long holiday that is celebrated every year from Dec. 26 to Jan. 1. Unlike many holidays being celebrated this winter, Kwanzaa is not a religious holiday, but a cultural one. According to Kwanzaa founder Dr. Maulana Karenga's Web site, Kwanzaa is a time of year when African Americans celebrate family,

community and culture.

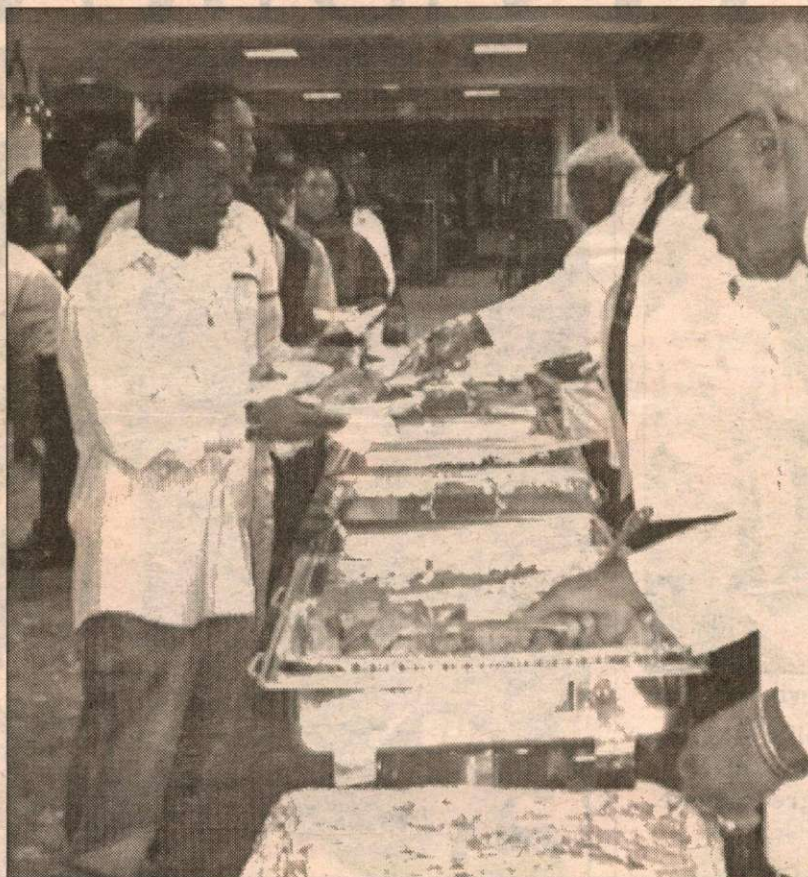
"Kwanzaa is a time where we celebrate the struggle and the success of the black community," said David Comer, director of the African American Student Program. "It's a reflection of where we came from and where we are now."

Although Kwanzaa focuses mainly on African-American culture here in the states, it has its origins in the first harvest celebrations, according to Karenga's Web site. The word "Kwanzaa" is derived from the Swahili phrase, "matunda ya kwanza," which means fresh fruits.

Though it has its roots in this cultural tradition, Karenga adopted Kwanzaa in 1966, as a way to embrace African American life and struggle through reaffirming the community's African roots.

"A lot of it is about tradition," Comer said. "We light the candles and we focus on the principles that have become so important to the black community."

The principles that Comer refers to are the Nguzo Saba (the Seven Principles) that reflect the seven traditional communal African values. Each day in the week-long celebration includes a principle which is used to reinforce the bonds between family and the community. These principles are unity, self-determination, collective



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UMD students and community members fill up their plates at last year's Kwanzaa celebration in the Kirby Ballroom.

work, responsibility, cooperative economics, purpose, creativity and faith.

"Each word is significant to us for the climb to success for the black community," Comer said.

The BSA's Kwanzaa celebration is free and open to the public. The event will have a wide range of performances, mostly by UMD students, ranging from poetry recitals to spiritual and

uplifting music. Most of the performances are educational to a degree, Oyinyo said.

"We hope that it's a place where students can come together and learn a little bit about one another," Comer said, "have fun, but at the same time take in the content and truly get something more out of it."

## 3 auto thefts occur within 2 weeks at UMD

University police say auto thefts haven't occurred with this frequency since surveillance equipment was installed a few years ago

BY ERIC LUDY  
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University police have reported an increase in thefts from vehicles over the past few weeks, according to university police Sgt. Sean Huls.

Huls said that he hasn't seen this

many thefts over such a short period in quite some time. Since video surveillance cameras were installed in the lots a few years ago, he said, thefts from vehicles have gone down dramatically.

The past two weeks, though, have run counter to this trend, with a reported three vehicle break-ins. In

one incident, a student, who left his vehicle running unattended for 10 minutes in Lot J2, lost a wallet containing credit cards and \$130 in cash.

The suspect was caught on camera, but officers were unable to distinguish any identifying features.

In the two other cases, valu-

ables such as a hunting knife and an iPod were stolen.

Huls wished to remind students to take all valuables out of their car and make sure to always lock their vehicles.

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# Nature's green can be soothing for a stressed student

A tour of UMD's greenhouse can relax the nerves

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With only eight-class days until finals week, time and sanity seem to be against our side; however, with a little help from Health Services and other departments around campus, events have been taking place in order for students to take a step back and unwind, or de-stress from those overflowing planners.

On Monday, Dec. 1, "De-stress with plants!" was held in the greenhouse. Those who attended were given a tour and allowed to take home various plants at their discretion and availability.

Deborah Shubat, who has been UMD's greenhouse keeper for 25 years, said being in a plant-enriched environment relieves stress.

"You're walking into an area that contains a fresh, abundant amount of oxygen and humidity with the color green," Shubat said. "All the different assortment of plant and soil smells, the sound of water, it can naturally make you more happy and relaxed."

Shubat's love and study of plants is simple.

"They keep people, animals and everything else alive through photosynthesis," she said.

"You can sit still and study them. They don't run away like tigers."

The upper greenhouse takes visitors through desert and tropical regions of the world with various levels of humidity, color and plant life: Cacti with red and yellow budding flowers; tobacco plants being used for research; the 20-year-old Georgia Bald Cypress tree, the Cycad tree that dinosaurs munched on and the six Sterculiaceae Theobroma cacao trees, to name a few. Shubat was especially excited about the cocoa trees.

"Someday, these trees will draw in the crowds," she said. "First I need to get them happy and healthy. Once several bud at once, I can cross-pollinate them."

Other parts of the greenhouse included the ornamental Citrus Mitis tree, where perfectly round mini-oranges decoratively hung. When eaten, however, they prove to be an extremely tart surprise.

"You can eat them if you don't mind puckering up," Shubat said. "They are more tart than lemons and limes."

Shubat also talked about the lush green Hibiscus plants that are kept for biology students who are studying insects.

"Aphids love Hibiscus plants so if the students run out, they come up here and grab



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A Citrus Mitis tree growing inside UMD's greenhouse.

a couple aphids," she said. "The way to get rid of them is to gently wash your plants with warm, soap water."

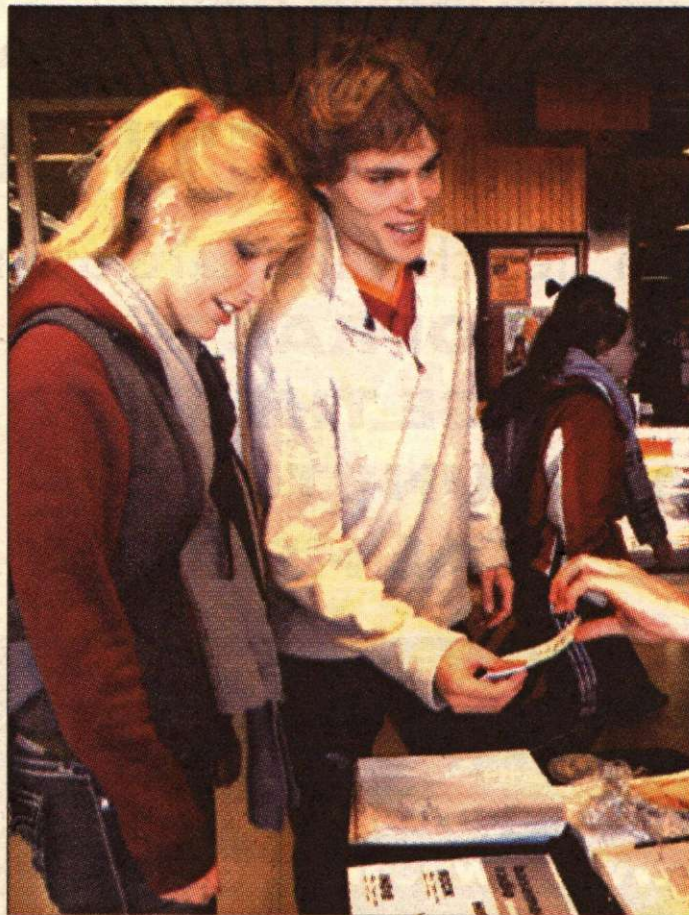
Christine Ebert, who works for University

Relations, was thrilled to be in the greenhouse. This was evident with her hands filled

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## A question of taste

Into Jazz? Hip Hop? Barry Manilow?  
Student DJs at KUMD want to know

**BY ERIC LUDY**  
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Every Thursday at 9:00 pm, DJ Jennie Lennick broadcasts her favorite music out to unknown ears throughout the Twin Ports.

Seated in KUMD's studios in the basement of Humanities, Lennick has no way of knowing if her listeners dig the latest Animal Collective track as much as she does.

At least, that is, until now.

In an effort to get to know what makes their audience tick, the KUMD student executive board has created an online survey that asks listeners what musical genres and specific artists they enjoy the most. Survey takers can write in their favorite artists and choose between genres like Blues, Indie, or Hip Hop.

Their preferences will then be visible to the student DJs of the station's late night "Basement Radio" program, which runs every night of the week, except Friday.

"We want to be the radio station of choice for students at UMD, so we want to know what they like; what they want to hear," said KUMD executive board member Jackson Hart, who has a show of his own on Basement Radio.

So what if survey takers really want to hear more, say, boy bands from the '90s, would the DJs play it?

"Probably not," Hart said, "but then again, I'm gonna go on a limb and guess the majority of students don't listen to the Backstreet Boys."

To encourage participation in the survey, KUMD and UMD Stores are offering a free iPod Touch and a \$50 I-Tunes gift card to the winner of a drawing in late January. Already in the past week, close to 100 people have taken the survey, according to Hart, who said this is a great way to gain exposure for the station.

"We've been around for 50 years but it seems like half the student population doesn't know we exist," he said.



# Two couches stolen from Griggs dorm lounge, One returned

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Two couches, with a reported value of \$762 each, were stolen from Griggs E lounge 106 sometime between Nov. 21 and Nov. 22, according to University Police Sgt. Sean Huls.

A resident of Lake Superior Hall recently returned one of the couches and is currently being questioned by university police, Huls said.

The whereabouts of the other couch in question is still under investigation. Anyone with information on the missing couch should call university police at 726-6848.

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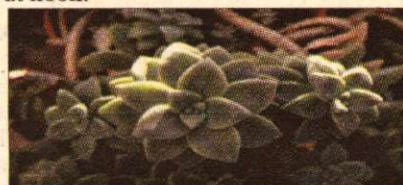
with various plant-life.

"I just love plants," she said.

Others who took the hour-break with plastic bags filled with plants in hand were Geraldine Hughes in political science, Sara Fitzgerald in UMD's international education, Beth Austin in the communication department and her friend Sara Carlson, whose husband works at UMD.

Another "De-stress with plants!" will be held today, Wednesday, Dec. 3 at 10 a.m.

Other de-stress events occurring around campus: Thursday, Dec. 4, Associate Professor in Health Education Ladona Tornabene, Ph.D, will host a workshop on "Naturally De-stressing: Nature Photography and the Creative Process" in SpHC 119 from 12 p.m.-1 p.m. and the coordinator of the Visualization and Digital Imaging Lab and certified yoga instructor, Lisa Fitzpatrick, is offering a lunchtime yoga class on Friday, Dec. 5, in MPAC 154 at noon.



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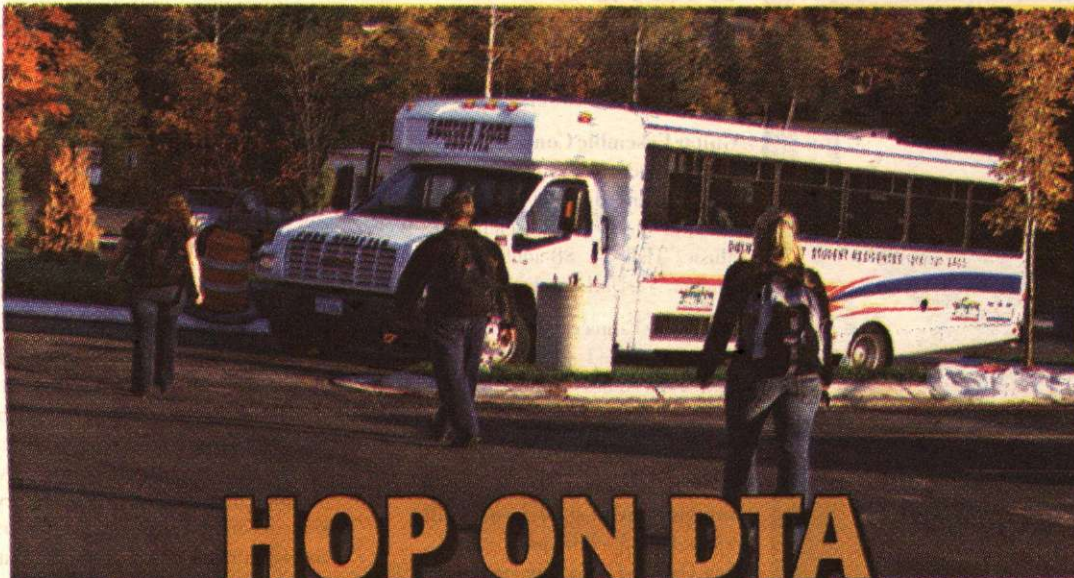
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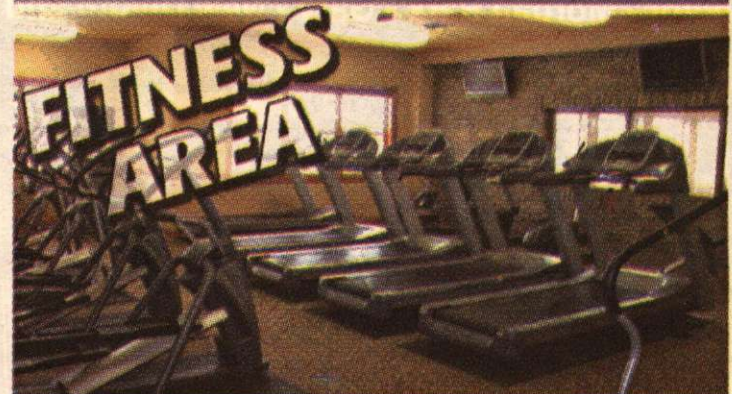
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Sunday, Dec. 7 - 4:00 pm. Daniel Eaton, director - Concert Band. Dr. Mark Whitlock, director - Symphonic Wind Ensemble. Weber Music Hall - \$8-adult/\$7-senior/\$5-student/\$3-UMD student

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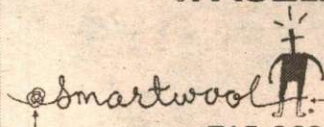
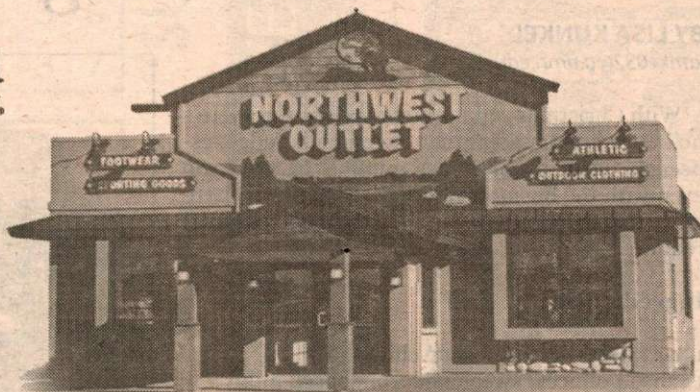
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## Breaking the rules one sip at a time

BY EMMA FROMBERG  
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Did you hear about the kid who got taised outside of Junction apartments because he ran from the cops? How about that boy from your communications class who jumped out a window when the police came in his dorm? And we all have those neighbors who blast Weezy and get minors, along with 10 of their closest friends.

Among college students, especially freshmen, there are always stories floating around Monday morning about who got caught that weekend, and the people who got away with drinking. It is well-known by UMD's Head of Conduct, Kathy Skelton, that the number of students that are getting away with having and consuming alcohol on campus is high.

"I hear it from students all the time," Skelton said.

According to a 2006 survey for UMD Alcohol Statistics, 80.3 percent of students claimed they used alcohol during the month the survey was taken, and 75.1 percent of students under 21 said the same thing. So how do students get away with it?

"I drink every weekend in my dorm and than walk around campus to house parties," said an anonymous freshman student that lives in the residence halls. "I just don't draw attention to myself in public, and no one ever questions me."

John Weiske, of the UMD Housing department, said that freshmen students are the most prone towards violating the dry-campus regulations, and that because of the high number of freshmen students living in the on-campus apartments, that's where most consumption tickets are given out.

"Many times the staff are just going for a noise complaint," he said. "They just end up seeing it and of course, enforce the university policy."

Skelton agreed. She said the main reason security is called is to deal with students when they draw attention to themselves. This is usually involving noise complaints, staggering

in the hallways or even just smelling like alcohol.

Last year, 340 students had liquor law violations, of which 250 cases were on campus, according to UMD crime statistics. There are no statistics yet this year, but Skelton said that so far, numbers have increased. The consequences have also become more strict, due to situations last year where students were sent to detox multiple times.

The current policy for students who get caught with alcohol on campus is as follows:

- first offense: \$182 fine from the city of Duluth, \$75 alcohol education class and \$150 chemical dependency evaluation for UMD's Student Conduct Code;

- second offense: \$282 fine from the city of Duluth and a court appearance, and \$150 chemical dependency evaluation, 2-3 page research paper, probation and possibly suspension or expulsion from UMD;

- third offense: \$382 fine from the city of Duluth and a court appearance, \$150 chemical dependency re-evaluation, counseling, possible suspension or expulsion and other appropriate sanctions from the UMD conduct office.

There have only been a couple of suspensions and expulsions so far this year. Both Skelton and Weiske said they based those on the severity of the offenses, and that it usually only occurs because violence is involved somehow.

Weiske said the largest issue for UMD is binge drinking.

"It's obvious that the campus is concerned about the level of drinking, and the number of students that drink in excess," he said. "The biggest thing is looking at students safety. We haven't yet found the key to help students reduce their consumption level."

**\*\*\*The UMD Statesman promotes thinking before drinking, which includes irresponsible and underage drinking in any situation.**



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A vodka bottle in a recycling bin in Heaney Hall.

# 80%

of students surveyed over 21 said they had used alcohol in the last month.

# 75%

of students surveyed under 21 said they had used alcohol in the last month.

\*According to a 2006 survey for UMD Alcohol Statistics for UMD

## ON THE MENU



### Microwaveable fudge in minutes

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With Christmas right around the corner, there's no better holiday treat than homemade fudge, especially when it only takes minutes to make. So even with the business of finals and holiday shopping, there's plenty of time for a chocolaty stress reducer.

#### Ingredients:

1 bag semi-sweet chocolate chips  
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When most people talk about the economic recession, they speak of bad mortgages, ever-shrinking bank accounts and a tumbling stock market; and rightfully so. These are the things most important to the majority of Americans.

One of the often overlooked industries that we are being priced out of, however, is professional sports. An industry that takes a backburner to more pressing issues is one that many of us care (oftentimes too) deeply about.

The average fan can rarely afford tickets anymore, and the tickets they can afford are often in the furthest nether regions of the stands.

For college students, it becomes nearly impossible to justify spending the money on decent seats. Some teams, like the Twins, offer student nights, but those seats are, of course, the worst in the Metrodome.

For those of us that spend hours watching Sportscenter, playing fantasy sports and surfing the Web for the latest info on our team, we are blindly following an industry that seems to not care if we exist. We make the industry tick by buying merchandise and attending games. So why don't they care that we can no longer afford to do so?

The New York Yankees, for example, will be opening a new stadium in the spring. Notorious for their rabid fanbase, they will charge \$2,500 to sit behind home plate. Yes, \$2,500 for one ticket.

They expect \$2,500 for one ticket when many people, such as students, can't even afford to spend \$25. At some point we will stop showing up. We will draw the line in the sand, and just stay home to watch the games on TV.

We may not stop watching, but we will stop paying. And when we are finally priced out and do stop paying, who will be there to keep sports alive?

Eric Johnson

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## MPIRG offers alternate lives to traditional holiday consumerism

### GUEST EDITORIAL

As people lined up at the doors to catch the 4 a.m. deals that Black Friday offered, they overlooked the big questions about the things they were purchasing; such as, who makes the products? What conditions are they made in and what wages the workers are receiving? Black Friday, the day that traditionally moves retailers from the red "loss" to the black "profitable" margins, sensationalizes the consumerism that already grips us around the holiday season and makes us forget that we can make conscious consumer choices to buy products that are sweatshop free and fair trade. Fair trade advocates that the workers producing consumer goods are guaranteed fair wages, good working conditions and help develop sustainable economic policy. MPIRG offers a solution to your holiday shopping needs by hosting local and Fair Trade vendors from around the state in our Holiday Fair Trade Bizarre.

Free trade, exemplified by regional trade agreements facilitated by North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), has opened countries up to international trade by eliminating tariffs and trade restrictions. While mul-

tinational corporations have wreaked the profits from this trade liberalization, farmers and local artisans, unable to compete with the giants of the international market, are forced to sell their goods below the cost of production. This has resulted in widespread poverty, lower standard of living, job loss and global racial inequalities in developing countries. Farmers and artisans are forced into a cycle of poverty and debt that ravages themselves, their families and their communities. Fair Trade is a viable and growing international movement that combats the global exploitation of large corporations. Fair trade is a strong tool that gives consumers an opportunity to use their power as a purchaser to tilt the system to favor those that have suffered under NAFTA and the free trade system. Creating partnerships between producers and consumers by offering high quality goods that are made under economically and environmentally sustainable environments, fair trade has helped millions around the world lift themselves out of poverty and take responsibility in their communities.

MPIRG is committed to making

Fair Trade a viable, affordable and accessible means to buying gifts for the holiday season. Rethinking our holiday shopping this year to purchase Fair Trade and locally-made goods can not only help us spread holiday cheer to our family and friends but also those around the world that are striving to give their families and communities a better life. Becoming more informed on where our products come from and if they are sweatshop free can help make us more conscious consumers and strive towards a better future. The MPIRG Holiday Fair Trade Bazaar will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8 and will feature local artists, free fair trade coffee and information about making conscious consumer choices. MPIRG will also host the movie "BLACK GOLD" about the \$80 billion-a-year coffee industry and the effects Fair Trade is making on coffee farmers in Ethiopia on Monday, Dec. 8 at 7 p.m. in the Kirby lounge.

Eric Lemke  
MPIRG Fair Trade Task Force member





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## Lakeside liquor decision: A promise well kept

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In the aftermath of the Nov. 4 election, I'm sure that many of us who live in the Lakeside area and did not make it to the polls that day are kicking themselves. The vote to repeal the no-liquor rule in Lakeside lost by one vote, and I don't doubt that a higher student turnout would have changed that.

For many, it was an issue of convenience. I can imagine that having to make the drive to Lake Aire or the Shanty, for example, is a pain in the neck, when others don't have to go much further than a couple of blocks away. However, I, for one, don't own a car,

and while I don't exactly relish having to walk seven blocks if I want to buy some liquor, it's not the end of the world. Also, many who live in Lakeside are probably already used to being a ways away from a lot of conveniences, and as such, already own a car or at least have to make the trip into other parts of town anyway.

The Lakeside area was sold to the city of Duluth by the Congdon family, with the original requirement that liquor would not be sold, either on- or off-sale, on that land. While I will grant that times change, I can't help but feel that we should respect the wishes of the original owners who sold the land. Also, a lot of families and elderly people live in the

Lakeside area, and the fact that so many voted against the repeal does suggest to me that a good amount of those living there actually don't want their quiet neighborhoods to include bars and liquor stores, perhaps out of fear of drawing the wrong crowd. There's nothing wrong, in my opinion, with bars and liquor stores per se (obviously I, myself, drink on occasion), but at the same time, I don't think there's anything wrong with having a part of the city where residents can have the choice to avoid that.

One issue that actually does make me at least consider the possibility of allowing liquor sales in the Lakeside area, however, is a financial one. A lot of jobs have been lost, and

the city of Duluth has had to sell a lot of land and various other properties in order to balance the budget. One good thing that would come out of a repealment of the original law would be more revenue for the city. However, I first beg the question of how much revenue this would actually generate, as well as, how this might indirectly affect the value of real estate in the area over time.

Regardless of what your opinion is on the matter, it's obvious that, though the margin was very narrow, the people have chosen what they want. I say let the vote speak for itself, and keep the law, even if some of us don't like it.

## Rush Limbaugh's accusations of President-elect Obama completely unfounded

The radio personality is no stranger to controversy

BY PETER ZETHRAUS

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Syndicated radio personality Rush Limbaugh, several months before the presidential election, called Barack Obama a "thug" on the Sept. 18 broadcast of his show.

Limbaugh was responding to the incident several days earlier when a group of computer hackers hacked into Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin's private e-mail account in an attempt to uncover any information they could on her. Limbaugh, in a ridiculous assertion, was trying to connect these hackers to the Obama presidential campaign by saying, "Obama, folks, is showing who he really is. A community organizer, the street agitator, the Chicago thug, clear the playing field, is finally being—it's on display for everybody to see," according to the Web site [mediamatters.org](http://mediamatters.org).

Here is this man's blatantly racist attempt to accuse Obama of any malfeasance he can possibly try and dig up and connect it to Obama. Not only is Limbaugh making the assertion that all African Americans are "thugs," he is absurdly trying to connect this particular instance to Barack Obama without any sufficient proof whatsoever, a completely libelous accusation. Why anyone gives this man the time of day is completely beyond me.

I think that this particular instance highlights certain Americans' underlying racism that is evident throughout our society. His radio show is obviously one of the most popular programs in the country, with millions of

Americans listening daily. This is fine; anyone has the right to listen to this man talk. However, he is not calling any white politicians thugs such as Alaska Sen.

Ted Stevens, recently found guilty of fraud and corruption, or former Idaho Sen. Larry Craig when he was arrested for lewd conduct in an airport bathroom.

But the problem that I have is when this man makes ridiculous and appalling accusations such as calling Obama a "thug" without being held libelous. He is intentionally trying to damage Obama's reputation out of malice, and he is going about this without any proof.

How can he make this claim without any evidence, and not be held accountable for his statements? Should I be allowed to call Limbaugh a thug for when he was investigated and found to have illegally obtained the prescription painkillers Oxycodone and Hydrocodone?

I guess we have to just pick and choose which news and media commentary to listen and watch, pick those that are objective and unbiased and reject those that are motivated by the speaker's beliefs and views.

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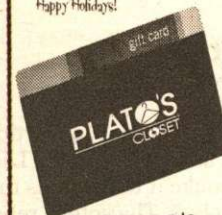
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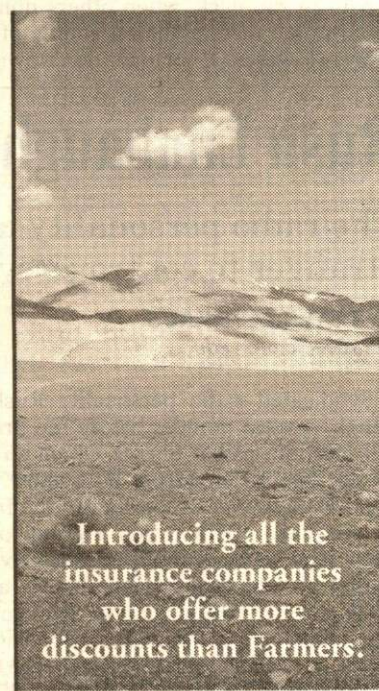
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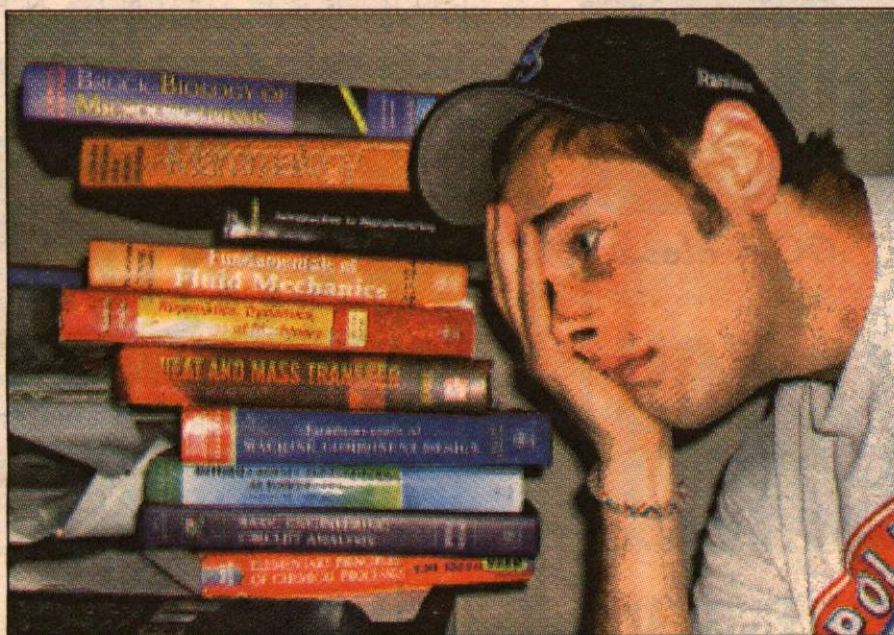
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Zach Weber in  
the midst of a  
pre-final freak-  
out.

NICK DYSHAW /  
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## The standard pre-final freak-out

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You dread it; I dread it, but it's coming upon us—finals. Now don't throw things, swear or cry. You've worked hard for this much of the semester ... oh, you haven't? You are starting to believe that your 40 percent won't give you the "A" you deserve? Don't worry; you still have 50 percent of your grade to be determined in just a few weeks. You're pumped and ready to go, unless you lose your USB or your computer crashes, just in time to lose your life/semester work with doom ensuing. That's ok; there are many things going on in the next few weeks for you to do.

Let's start out with the good. You will have a bounty of holiday parties, which will get you in the right mindset for break and hopefully finals. Other than that, it's all bad news. With the poor economy, students are being affected everywhere. Pencil-lead thefts have increased 90 percent, and assignments are being handed in on the "informational" pamphlets from in front of the book store. Realizing this economic downturn, students are actually attending class and learning in order to get their money's worth.

Also, there must be a storm coming due to the shortage in granola bars, anything that can be vended, energy drinks and No Doze pills, which coincidentally will be all my meals for the coming weeks.

There are a few cautions that must be taken during this time. The spread of Global Poor Me Syndrome (PMS) across campus is rampant. Side effects may include: headache, lack of sleep, chills, spontaneous aggravation, suicidal inclinations, an increased usage of cologne/perfume while going green and saving on water, an increased usage of pajama pants and extended periods of grimacing are common. If these conditions last for more than four to six weeks, contact your healthcare professional, where severe com-

plications might result.

Extended Facebook use for "homework," studying and research is suggested in the next few weeks. There is no cure for Global PMS and even with management, it still may be possible to spread Global PMS, as it may not prevent all recurrences. Care and time is recommended.

In the next few weeks of pure bliss, as you study heat and mass transfer, calculus or whatever class gives you nightmares, cold sweats and makes you feel like you'd rather lick your grandpa's feet, remember, hope and break are on the way. But only for a month, when you'll have even more 'freaking out' in combination with new homework assignments and brand new classes upon your return. So I bid you all good luck on your travels and I hope that Darwin was right in his theories with college finals, "may the strong be surprised and the slackers surmise."

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Curious Cat

Dear Curious,

I hate you. If you are "sure" that I've been asked far too many times about Thanksgiving by now, chances are I have. Why would you write a letter asking someone to answer the same small-talk questions that they answer on a daily basis? Are you just bored or do you really, truly need to know?

Well, I guess I'll humor you and let you into my little world. For starters, I don't see the family much. We are spread very far apart and none of us own any technology (I myself check e-mail by going to Starbucks and waiting for an aspiring "writer" to use the bathroom so I can borrow his laptop for a second). So my apologies, but no crazy stories to be had this year. As far as the turkey goes, I happen to be a level-12 vegan, which means that I'm not allowed to look at an animal and think of any food items at the same time. I do have a mean recipe for turducken, but it excludes most (or all) of the traditional ingredients.

I hope this has satisfied your curiosity. Now if you'll excuse me, soul patch has just gone to the little boy's room.

Joe

\*\*Steve Jacobs is Granola Joes' alter-ego.

## TOP TEN

### Not so Famous Last Words

BY JOHN BROSIUS

10. "We hired a new intern for you, President Clinton, her name is Monica."
9. "Hello there, Mr. Lennon. Have you met my friend Yoko?"
8. "Here Mr. Gibson, this round is on me."
7. "I heard there is a party at the Duke Lacrosse house tonight! We should totally go!"
6. "You're 18, right?" — R. Kelly
5. "I choose Sara Palin as my running mate in this year's election."
4. "Oh sh\*\*, it's Chris Hansen."
3. "Come on! I'm the Grizzly Man! Bears would never hurt me; I love these bears, and they love me!"
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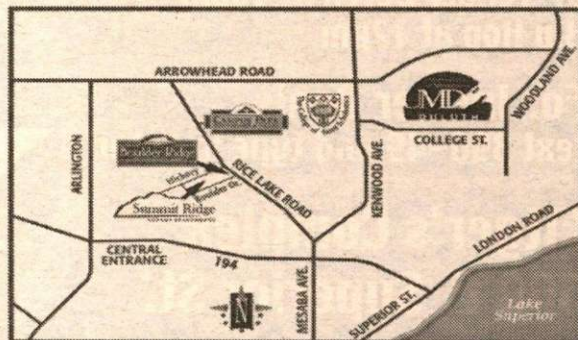
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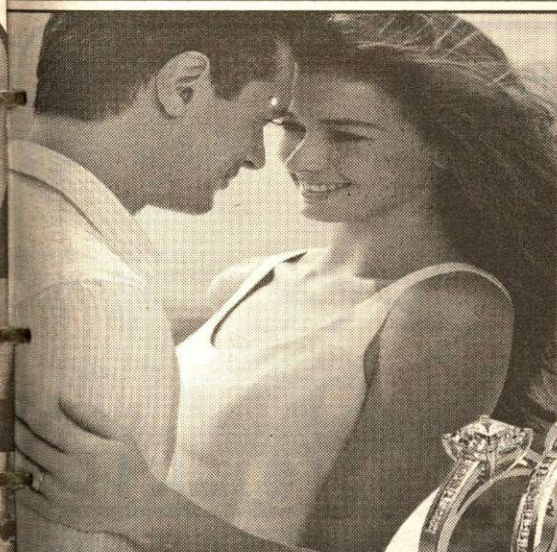
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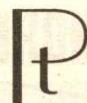


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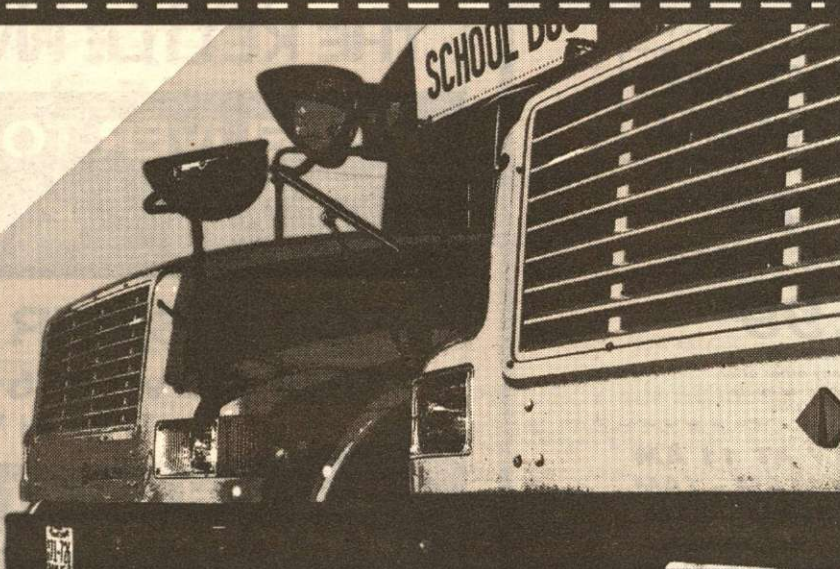
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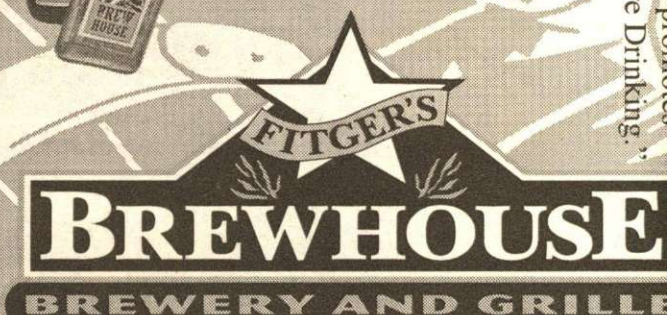
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Charlotte (Kinsey Diment, right) watches over sister Brenda (Ashley Kuske, left) in "Hummingbirds." The play opens Thursday in the Dudley.

## 'Hummingbirds' opens Thursday

BY TRAVIS DILL  
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The UMD Theatre department is set to open their next play entitled "Hummingbirds," which examines the bond between two sisters, later this week.

The story the theatre department labels as "an intense, joyous and fierce story of two sisters and the undeniable ties that bind," was written by UMD alumna Jeannine Coulombe and is directed by UMD theatre professor Kelly Grussendorf.

The play entails Charlotte (Kinsey Diment) and her struggle to keep her sister Brenda (Ashley Kuske) from slipping into insanity. Brenda's zest for life gives Charlotte strength; however Brenda's ability to be destructive threatens both sisters, according to the UMD theatre Web site.

The entire production is performed by four actors: Diment, Kuske, Kendra McMillan as Margaret and Joe Heaney as Roger.

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## Find the local flavor at Sara's Table

BY DAYNA D. LANDGREBE  
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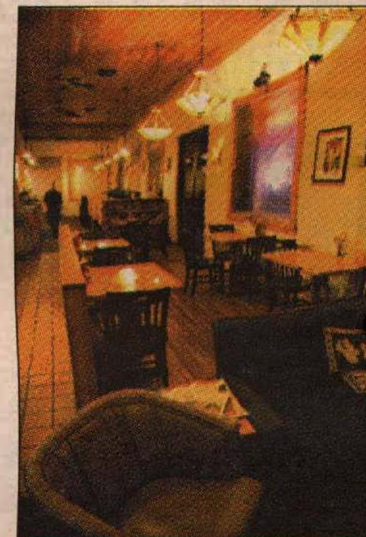
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As my dining partner and I sat down for our dinner, I took in the scenery. Customers were gathered around heavy, wooden tables in cozy conversation and the table lamps created an intimate setting in the evening. Other people were just hanging out near the entrance on the over-sized stuffed chairs and couch, waiting for a table.

Menu options ranged far and wide from the good, old-fashioned, juicy cheeseburger to a Middle Eastern platter with samples of traditional Middle Eastern foods, like pita bread, feta cheese, kalamata olives, falafel, hummus, pepperoncinis, tabbouleh and tzatziki sauce.

This evening, I opted for a falafel sandwich, but was really secretly pining for the sweet potato fries,



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Sara's Table

which come with most meals. Fried up just right and covered in a little bit of salt and brown sugar, these are fries that shouldn't be missed.

Now, maybe this is just my inner child's wildest fantasy to be able to have sugar for breakfast but if you're stopping into Sara's for a mid-morning brunch, the specialty buttermilk pancakes are to die for. Stuffed with two items of your choice, my favorite is chocolate chips and walnuts drizzled with homemade apple beer syrup.

If a sugar high isn't your thing, try the Huevos Rancheros: two eggs cooked over medium with red sauce, black beans and cheddar jack

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## Luhrmann's 'Australia' leaves viewers luke-warm

BY KYLE DEGOEY  
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Overall Grade:

C

If you are expecting "Australia" to be as vibrant and exuberant as Baz Luhrmann's previous films (i.e. "Romeo+Juliet" and "Moulin Rouge!"), you will have to look elsewhere.

Expectations surrounding "Australia" were quite high as this movie marked the start of Oscar season for Hollywood.

However, this movie fails to deliver. Expectations of beautiful colors dancing across

the screen are replaced with dusty brown landscapes. The hopes of a sensational love/action melodramatic story are dashed by an uneven, unfocused storyline.

Even Nicole Kidman leaves much to be desired; delivering an over-acted, almost annoying performance. Thankfully, Hugh Jackman delivers exactly what is expected from him: sheer, rugged manliness.

"Australia" is nothing more than a Western, set in the Outback. It's complete with good guys, bad guys and a damsel in distress. Throw in a love story and Voodoo magic and you have a feeble attempt at an epic film. The storyline is unnecessarily complicated. The complexity leaves the movie feeling unfocused and off mark.

Luhrmann fails to find a convincing way to tell his story and he exhausts all options in doing so. He tries long, epic, crane shots, Michael Bay-like explosions, Vaudevillian slapstick humor and false endings—all leaving this movie feeling flat and unclear.

Luhrmann does do a fine job in examining race in Australia in 1939, though.

Nullah, the narrator of the story, is a 10-year-old boy with an aboriginal mother and a white father. The Australian government was determined to round all children like him up and "educate" them on the ways of Western culture. He accurately portrays these intolerable whites as ignorant yuppies. Brandon Walters does a remarkable job keeping his performance as Nullah subtle,

yet impressive.

Luhrmann also explores aboriginal ideas like Voodoo magic and witch doctors but at certain points, these themes are difficult to buy into. Take, for instance, a stampede action sequence that ends with Nullah on a cliff's edge, staring down 1500 cattle with nothing but his will to stop them. Of course due to some magic beyond explanation, they stop. It comes off as cheesy and unbelievable.

"Australia" is overstuffed with unnecessary twists and a third act best left out. The 165 minute run-time could have, and should have, been reduced by 30 minutes. Expectations surrounding this movie only magnified the missteps and wrongful decision-making



# HOLLYWOOD & VINE

*Love is all you need*

**BY ALICIA LEBENS**  
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After a long weekend away, I found the Hollywood hills filled with the gushiest, sappiest and most romantic gossip, and it's not even Valentine's Day yet!

Many of the faithful fans to MTV's "reality" show, "The Hills," were shocked at last week's cover of Us Weekly; the show's power couple Heidi Montag and Spencer Pratt eloped. The two lovebirds decide to wed on a whim during a romantic getaway to Mexico.

The private ceremony was held on the beach, with no family or friends, except for the ever-present photographer who luckily was there to capture every cheesy moment to sell to the tabloids.

Even before the news officially broke, rumors were spreading that the sudden elopement was planned as a publicity stunt, which would

not be new for the couple. Speidi, as the two are known, are notorious for their fame-generating ways, including overly planned, very public dates filled with flowers and chocolates.

Looks like Orlando Bloom's single, swash-buckling days are over, because this pirate is off the market. Orlando popped the question to his longtime girlfriend, Victoria's Secret model, Miranda Kerr.

The Australian newspaper, The Sunday Telegraph, exclusively revealed that the two celebrated their engagement with a trip to Venice, Italy last week.

They plan to marry in the middle of next year, when both have breaks from work and plan to have children soon after. And I'm sure they will be beautiful babies!

Aww, love is in the air! See you next week from Hollywood and Vine!

**SARA'S TABLE** from page 20

cheese.

Sara's also offers pies and other goodies from the esteemed Positively 3rd Street Bakery (which I don't recommend going without) and beverages from rich coffees and teas to soft drinks to great selections of wines and beers.

The service is on par and the prices, albeit a little spendy, are worth the amount of food and total dining experience. Students: save up for a good and greasy Saturday morning breakfast to cure those night-before blues or stop by for a nice place to study, read a book or take in a little local flavor.

Sara's Table is open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**HUMMINGBIRDS** from page 20

"Hummingbirds" opens Dec. 4 at 7:30 p.m. with additional performances through Saturday, all at 7:30 p.m.

A matinee will be performed on Dec. 7 at 2 p.m. If you don't catch the show this weekend, there will also be 7:30 p.m. performances next week on Dec. 9-13.

The Dudley Experimental Theatre in the Marshall Performing Arts Center (MPAC) will be the stage for

"Hummingbirds," and tickets can be purchased at the box office of the MPAC or online at <http://tickets.umn.edu/>.

A disclaimer of mature subject matter was also included in a press release and should be considered by those looking to purchase tickets.

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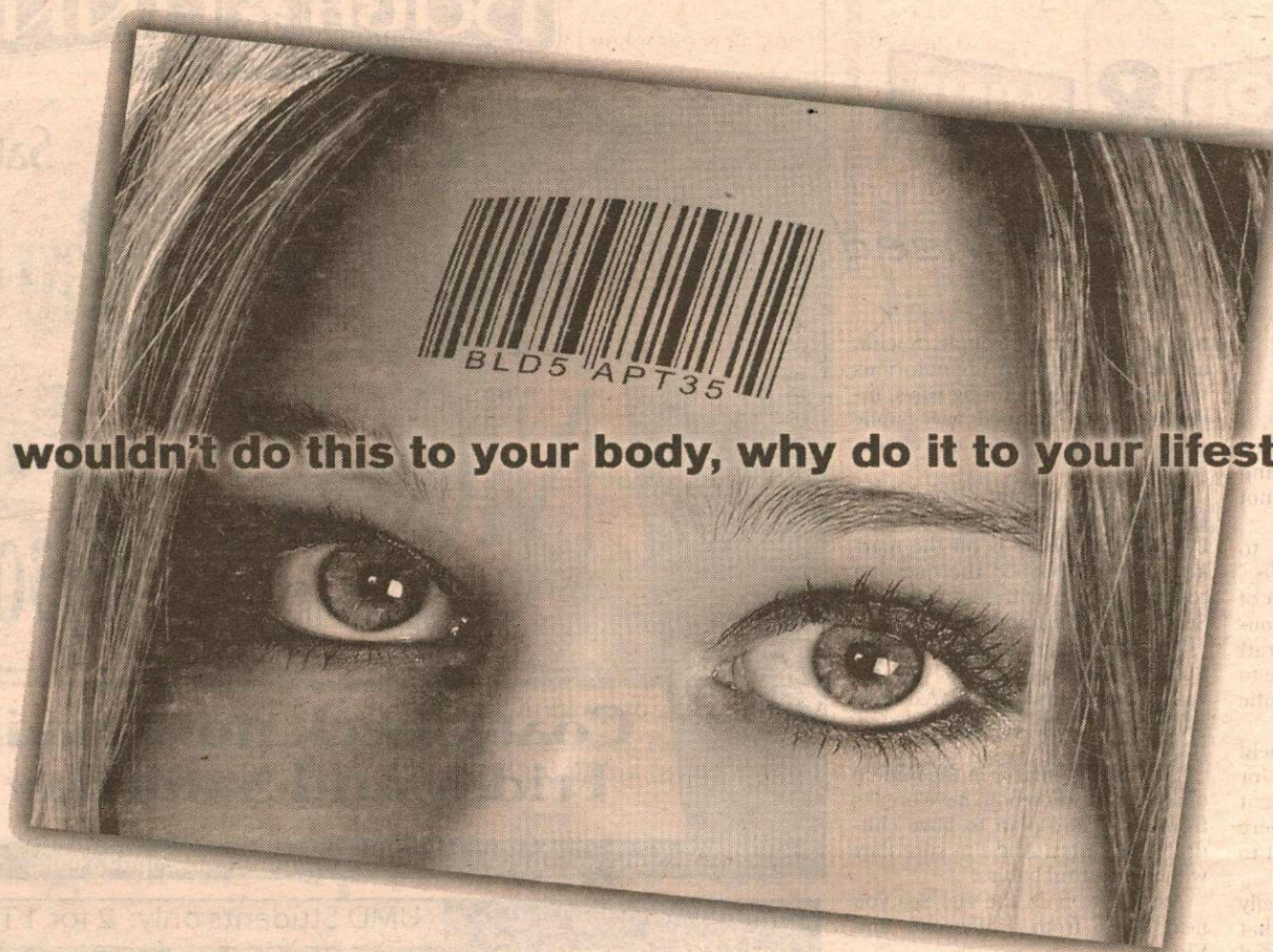
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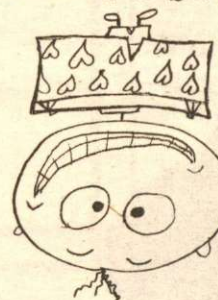
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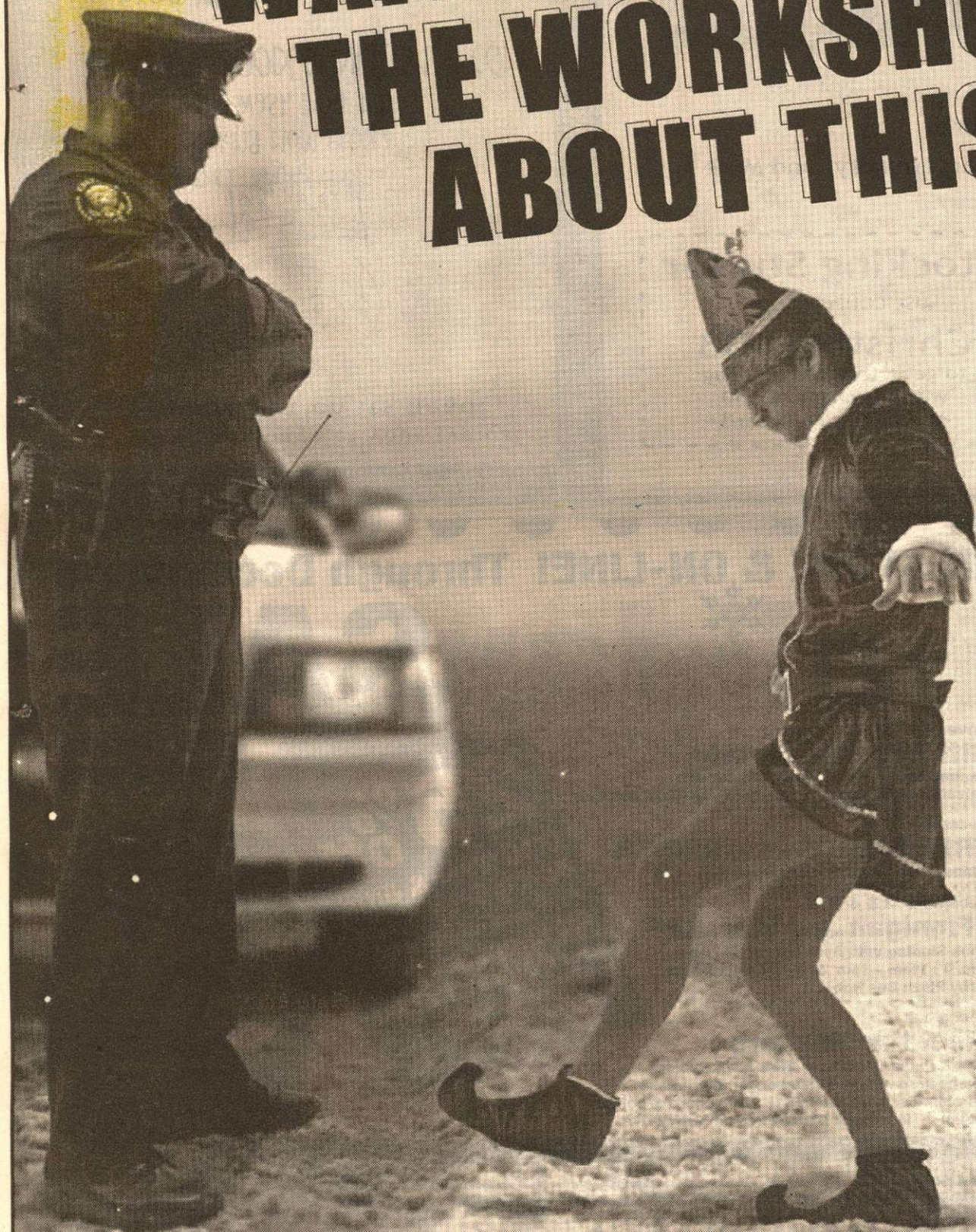
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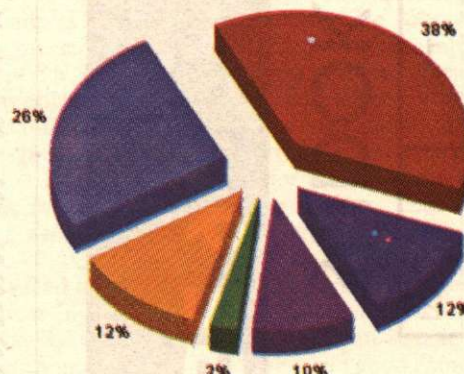
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- 1 Pixyish
- 6 Slip up
- 10 Palm starch
- 14 Pooh's creator
- 15 Continental cash
- 16 Govt. agents
- 17 Lendl playing badly?
- 20 Long-distance operators?
- 21 Spotted wildcats
- 22 Yelder
- 24 First wife?
- 25 Fix securely
- 28 Clarinet relative
- 30 Dr. Tim's drug
- 33 Midday
- 34 Way around
- 36 Antibes summer
- 37 Namath serving drinks?
- 40 "\_\_\_ the fields we go..."
- 41 Brings joy to
- 42 Eye amorously
- 43 Gridiron meas.
- 44 French movies
- 45 Behave furtively
- 46 Dog-breeders' org.
- 47 Verbalize
- 50 Coincide partially
- 54 Raise up
- 58 O'Donnell working construction?
- 60 Different
- 61 Almost forever
- 62 Key PC key
- 63 Tolstoy and Gorcey
- 64 Scottish dagger
- 65 Bedazzles

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- 1 Kuwaiti ruler
- 2 In person
- 3 "The Flim-\_\_\_ Man"
- 4 Uncorrupted
- 5 Trawled
- 6 V-formation flyers
- 7 On the market

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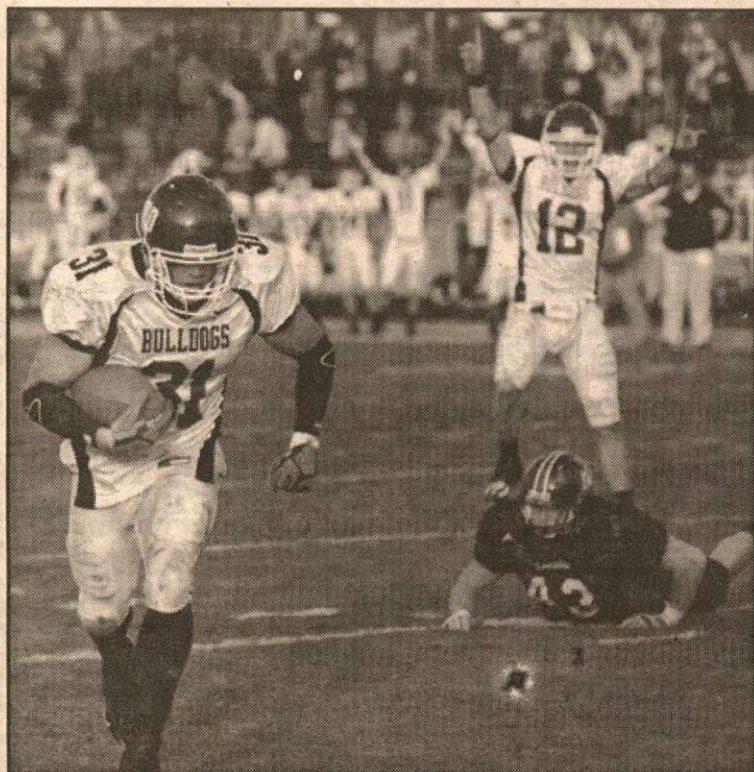
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| 46 Zodiac sign         | 53 Unit of loudness  |
| 48 Succinct            | 55 Aleutian island   |
| 49 The Greatest        | 56 Twixt 12 and 20   |
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SUBMITTED PHOTO

**Running back Isac Odim breaks free of the Grand Valley State defense last Saturday.**

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Lakers' season.

Leading the Dogs offensively were Schlafke with 160 yards passing and two TDs. Odim joined in with 124 yards rushing and two TDs, while Winfield led all the Bulldogs with six catches for 92 yards and a score.

The Bulldog defense saw senior safety Jim Johnson and sophomore linebacker Robbie Aurich set the pace with nine tackles apiece. Yelk recorded a game-high three pass breakups and sophomore

lineman Jim Kunz notched UMD's only sack.

Up next for the Dogs will be a national semifinal clash next Saturday at California University of Pennsylvania. The 11 a.m. (CST) game will be nationally televised by ESPN Classic and, according to Yelk, certainly will feature two great teams.

"We haven't seen a lot of these guys, but at this point in the season, everybody's going to be good," he said, "but we'll be ready."

**Come watch the undefeated Bulldogs as they face California University of Pennsylvania in the NCAA semifinals this Saturday on the big screen at Kirby Lounge. Kickoff is at 11 p.m. Make sure to come early and reserve your super-fan seat. There will be free food, good company and lots of Bulldog spirit.**

# Weekly Rundown: Men's and Women's Basketball

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## MEN'S BASKETBALL

The men's basketball was at home last Tuesday to take on cross-state rivals Wisconsin Superior. It was a battle the whole way through, but in the end, the Dogs pulled out an overtime thriller, 81-76.

UMD dominated in almost all statistical categories, especially in rebounding (60-29), according to the UMD Web site.

Senior Steve Klass lead all scorers, recording a career high with 30 points. Senior Brian Sykora also had a big game, recording double digits (22 points and 17 rebounds).

The team also traveled to South Dakota last weekend to partake in the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (NSIC) Holiday Hoopfest.

On Saturday, UMD took on Northern State University. Despite a hard effort, the Dogs fell 63-59.

The Bulldogs were lead by Senior John Vaudreuil as he scored

18 points while grabbing nine rebounds.

The Dogs also got help from junior Steve Duncan who came off the bench scoring seven points, while adding five rebounds after returning from a knee injury.

It was a different story on Sunday as UMD played Wayne State. The Dogs used good post presence and a tremendous outside shooting performance to take down the Wildcats 66-58.

Once again it was the seniors stepping up for UMD—Sykora and Vaudreuil paced the Bulldogs with 22 and 14 points respectively.

Juniors Jordan Schade and Ron White also had good games for the Dogs, putting up great percentages from the floor, each scoring six points, according to the UMD Web Site.

The Bulldogs will once again be on the road this weekend as they take on U of M Crookston on Friday and Minnesota-State Moorhead on Saturday.

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

The women's basketball team was also at South Dakota this past weekend to take on Northern State and Wayne State College.

The Dogs defeated Northern State, 64-60, and got their first win of the season.

Junior Jheri Booker, who scored an outstanding 21 points and eight rebounds, led the Dogs.

The Bulldogs used a full team effort to down the Wildcats 58-50 on Sunday.

Senior co-captain Jacquie Hartman who scored 12 points led the UMD Bulldogs.

Booker and sophomore forward Kelsey Hewitt also helped out, each scoring 11 points.

UMD will host Wisconsin-Eau Claire this Wednesday. Game time is set for 7 p.m. at the Romano Gym.

## MEN'S AND WOMEN'S HOCKEY

# Big breaks for the Bulldogs

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Both the men's and women's hockey team saw action last weekend, with big breaks for both.

The men faced the St. Cloud State Huskies, while the women took on the Dartmouth Big Green.

On Saturday night, the men blasted the Huskies with offensive power, defeating St. Cloud a resounding 5-1.

The Bulldogs' offense scored early, with the first UMD goal coming off a power play by sophomore Justin Fontaine at 15:31.

St. Cloud was able to tie the game up four minutes later; however, a lone goal in the second by junior Jordan Fulton gave the Dogs back the lead.

Fulton would add another goal in the third, as would freshman Mike Connolly and sophomore Kyle Schmidt.

"We got the puck in the net tonight and capitalized on our opportunities," Fontaine said.

He added that it was a big win that should help them get back into the WCHA race.

The women also had a busy break, playing a game on both Friday and Saturday against No. 3 Dartmouth.

While the women got off to a shaky start on Friday night by giving up a first period power-play goal, they never quit.

Sophomore Haley Irwin was able to tie up the game for the No. 7 ranked Bulldogs in the third period and her teammates were right there to back her up.

Junior captain Saara Tuominen was the one who was able to help the team cap the comeback with the game-winning goal with just 1:45 left on the clock.

UMD was able to win its first game against a ranked team this season.

Dartmouth would return the next day to fight back for what they lost though.

However, just two and half minutes into Saturday's game, Irwin would deny the Big Green that

dream.

Scoring right away from assists by freshman Pernilla Winberg and junior Elin Holmlov gave the Dogs the early 1-0 advantage.

Sophomore Jocelyne Larocque scored the second UMD goal just 15 seconds into the second period and Irwin added yet another tally to their total as well.

UMD felt comfortable going into the third with a 3-0 lead, but Dartmouth was not satisfied with their performance and was able to come up with a goal to end the shut out.

Larocque scored again in her first career multiple-goal game and gave the Dogs a safe cushion for the 4-1 win.

The men will take off next weekend to play Colorado College, while the women will stay at home this weekend to take on Bemidji State.

The women's games are scheduled to start at 7:07 p.m. on both Friday and Saturday night at the DECC.





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**Above:** Quarterback Ted Schlafke behind the protection of UMD's offensive line during UMD's first playoff victory against Chadron State.

**Left:** Jim Johnson and Forest Clements attempt to tackle a Chadron State ball carrier.

## FOOTBALL

# Bulldog defense carries UMD to national semifinals

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Another Saturday brought about another history making victory for UMD's still undefeated football team, with this win coming at the hands of the No. 1 team in the nation.

Playing in the quarterfinals of the NCAA Division II playoffs for the first time, the Dogs improved to 13-0 on the year with a 19-13 victory over the previously top ranked Grand Valley State (Mich.) Lakers in double overtime. This win joins last week's victory as the only playoff triumphs in the history of UMD football, a mark that safety Tyler Yelk is certainly aware of.

"This win represents the ultimate, all-time top point so far in my football career," said the senior captain. "This is the first time I've ever been a part of a group of guys so committed to winning."

That commitment certainly paid off Saturday. Coming into the game, Grand Valley averaged nearly 40 points per game; and for 59 minutes UMD held them to only two field goals. Yelk said it was pressuring the quarterback that allowed such success.

"We saw on film that nobody they'd played was really getting a good rush on their quarterback. So that's what we really focused on," he said.

It was this staunch defense and two touch-

down passes by senior quarterback Ted Schlafke to D.J. Winfield and Isaac Odum respectively, that had the Dogs leading 13-6 with only 66 seconds remaining in the game, according to the UMD Web site. By holding Grand Valley to 160 total yards less than the Lakers' season average, the Dog defense was in perfect position to pull off the ultimate upset. However, Grand Valley displayed the resiliency needed to win their record of 29 straight home games.

On their last possession of regulation, the Lakers notched a seven-yard touchdown pass to secure an overtime period. Lesser teams may have folded under such circumstances, but not these Dogs.

"That's been the greatest attribute of our team this year, most teams would get bent out of shape when something like that happens," Yelk said. "We just knew what needed to be done in OT."

And then they did it. Following a scoreless first overtime, UMD took the ball and scored four plays into the second extra period on an Odum touchdown run, his school-record tying 22nd of the season, according to the UMD Web site. Grand Valley's last chance at success was ended for good when sophomore linebacker Kiel Fichtelkotter's third interception of the year ended the game, and the

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